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SUBJECT: CTB NEGOTIATIONS: COMPOSITE TEXT OF PROVISIONS
OF SEPARATE VERIFICATION AGREEMENT PERTAINING TO
INITIATION OF ON-SITE INSPECTIONS

CTB MESSAGE NO. 223

1. AT MEETINGS OF THE POLITICAL WORKING GROUP ON MAY 19, 22, 24, AND 26, DELEGATIONS WORKED TO BRING CLOSER TOGETHER THEIR RESPECTIVE PROPOSALS REGARDING INITIATION OF ON-SITE INSPECTIONS (OSIS). THE MEETINGS PRODUCED A COMPOSITE AD REFERENDUM TEXT ON THIS SUBJECT. THE TEXT STILL CONTAINS SEVERAL BRACKETS, BUT IT REPRESENTS SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. TEXT IS CONTAINED IN THIS MESSAGE, WITH ANALYSIS IN CTB NO. 224.

2. KEY TO BRACKETS (REPRESENTED IN THIS CABLE BY PARENTHESES): 1-US DELEGATION PROPOSAL, SUPPORTED BY UK; 2-SOVIET DELEGATION PROPOSAL. BRACKETS WITHOUT NUMBERS REPRESENT CROSS REFERENCES TO BE FILLED IN LATER.

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BEGIN TEXT:

ARTICLE (BLANK)

1. AT THE REQUEST OF EITHER OF THE PARTIES, THEY SHALL CONSULT PROMPTLY REGARDING AN EVENT THAT MAY HAVE BEEN A NUCLEAR EXPLOSION IN VIOLATION OF (THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS

OF THE TREATY AND ITS PROTOCOL). THE PARTY REQUESTING THE CONSULTATIONS SHALL STATE THE REASONS FOR ITS REQUEST AND THE TIME AND LOCATION AT WHICH, ACCORDING TO ITS EVIDENCE, THE EVENT OCCURRED.

2. DURING SUCH CONSULTATIONS, AN ON-SITE INSPECTION MAY BE REQUESTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING WHETHER OR NOT THE EVENT WAS A NUCLEAR EXPLOSION. THE REQUESTING PARTY SHALL STATE THE REASONS FOR ITS REQUEST INCLUDING RELEVANT SEISMIC (OR)(1) (AND)(2) OTHER PHYSICAL EVIDENCE THAT COULD HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH A POSSIBLE NUCLEAR EXPLOSION; THE TIME AND LOCATION AT WHICH, ACCORDING TO THIS EVIDENCE, THE EVENT OCCURRED; THE PROPOSED INSPECTION AREA (; AND ANY ADDITIONAL RIGHTS AND FUNCTIONS IT MAY DESIRE AT THIS TIME TO REQUEST PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (BLANK) OF ARTICLE (BLANK) OF THE TECHNICAL ANNEX)(1).

3. AFTER A REQUEST FOR ON-SITE INSPECTION HAS BEEN MADE, THE PARTIES SHALL CONSULT FURTHER IN CONNECTION WITH THE REQUEST, AT WHICH TIME THEY MAY EXCHANGE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

4. THE PARTY RECEIVING THE REQUEST SHALL WITHIN (30)(1) (60)(2) DAYS STATE WHETHER OR NOT IT IS PREPARED TO AGREE THAT THE ON-SITE INSPECTION SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT. THE PARTIES MAY, BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT, EXTEND THIS PERIOD.

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5. IF A PARTY RECEIVING THE REQUEST STATES THAT IT IS PREPARED TO AGREE TO THE INSPECTION, THE PARTIES SHALL THEN CONSULT ON THE PROCEDURES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE INSPECTION, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE REQUESTED PARTY MAY EXCLUDE SPECIFIC SITES FROM THE INSPECTION. THE PARTIES SHALL PROCEED WITH THE ON-SITE INSPECTION WHEN THEY HAVE AGREED ON THE INSPECTION AREA, ON SPECIFIC RIGHTS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE REQUESTING PARTY'S DESIGNATED PERSONNEL PURSUANT TO (THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND ITS TECHNICAL ANNEX), AND ON THE DATE THAT THE DESIGNATED PERSONNEL WILL ARRIVE AT A SPECIFIED PORT OF ENTRY.

6. IF A PARTY RECEIVING THE REQUEST STATES THAT IT IS NOT PREPARED TO AGREE TO THE INSPECTION, IT SHALL SUBSTANTIATE ITS DECISION. IF THE REQUESTING PARTY CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT AN ON-SITE INSPECTION IS WARRANTED, IT MAY REQUEST THE OTHER PARTY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING ITS DECISION OR TO RECONSIDER THE REQUEST IN THE LIGHT OF ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION THAT EITHER PARTY HAS PROVIDED. IF, AFTER THIS, THE REQUESTING PARTY

STILL BELIEVES THAT THE OTHER PARTY HAS NOT PROVIDED
SUFFICIENT SUBSTANTIATION FOR ITS DECISION, IT MAY BRING
THE MATTER TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS.
END TEXT. JOHNSON

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